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Former township director to be sentenced

Don Howard
Staff Writer

Details of the federal prosecution of former Plymouth Township Parks and Grants Director Mike Mitchell were revealed to members of the township board of trustees last week by Township Police Chief Tom Tiderington.

Tiderington detailed the status of the Mitchell case in response to a request from the federal court for a Victim Impact Statement from township officials.

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Federal prosecutors charged Mitchell last March with theft from a local government-receiving federal assistance, after township police and FBI agents executed a search warrant on his Livonia home in October of 2017 where more than $12,000 in property belonging to the township was recovered.

Mitchell was hired in 2016 by former Plymouth Township Supervisor Shannon Price who created the parks and grants director title for him. Mitchell had previously served as an aide to Price during his term as Wayne County Commissioner. Mitchell was paid $63,277 annually.

Tiderington said there were several other serious charges that were submitted and under consideration against Mitchell that did not come to fruition, one being "credit card fraud." Mitchell abandoned his job almost immediately after the August 2016 primary election when Price was defeated. He continued to collect a salary for nearly five months while absent from the job and, according to township records,

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War hero

Canton resident Knighted by France for his service

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Pat Williams wears many hats as Canton Township Supervisor, but was especially proud of his participation last week when he was part of a ceremony honoring combat veteran George Miller Sr., 98, for his World War II service in France.

"Mr. George Miller Sr. was elevated to Knighthood by France," said Williams about the ceremony at Rose's restaurant on Canton Center Road. "It was just an amazing and emotional event."

Miller, whose U.S. Army service included the Battle of the Bulge, was lauded as a family man and hard worker by son, Don Miller, at the Nov. 12 ceremony.

"His work ethic was second to none," Miller said of his dad. "Today, Pop, you are not only a World War II hero but also my own personal hero."

Miller lauded his father's work with Ford Motor Co., as a carpenter, and his AFL-CIO union efforts. "The Labor Day Parade in Detroit was always a big deal," Miller recalled of his household growing up.

Consul General of France Guillaume Lacroix presented the French Legion of Honor to George Miller Sr. for his participation in the liberation of France. The ceremony included local and state officials including Amanda York representing U.S Sen. Debbie Stabenow, Brig. Gen. Carol Anne Fausone representing Congressman David Trott, State Sen. Patrick Colbeck, Williams, and Honorary Consul of France Jean Mallebay-Vacqueur. Also there were Hockey Hall of Famer Ted Lindsay, of the Detroit Red Wings, family and friends.

Consul General of France Guillaume Lacroix presented the French Legion of Honor to World War II veteran George W. Miller Sr. of Canton last week in recognition of his participation in the liberation of France. The ceremony tool place in the presence of local and state officials, celebrities and members of Miller's family.

"We weren't entitled or spoiled," said Don Miller, who also thanked his brother, George Jr., for caring for their father. George Miller didn't talk much about overseas, "except it wasn't a fun place," Miller told the attentive audience.

George Miller returned to school and earned his high school diploma from Wayne Memorial High School in 1980.

Don Miller said he enjoys playing checkers with his dad. He noted once asking his father if had enemies. "He said 'None, I've outlived them all,"' Miller said.

Fausone, who's been an Army nurse, noted that George Miller Sr. was born in Indiana on Nov. 18. She said the Army records show him born in 1920 while his family says 1919.

"You can pick whatever one you want," Fausone said. She presented a flag flown over the U.S. Capitol and with Trott cited services given, "on behalf of not one but two grateful nations."

Miller enlisted in the U.S Army in October 1942. He arrived in England in January 1944 and was assigned to the newly activated First United States Army placed under Lt. Gen. Omar Bradley's command. Miller fought in three major campaigns, Northern France, the Rhineland, and Central Europe. He started as a ground combat specialist, and a rifle marksman, then he became an anti-aircraft and heavy artillery gunner, reaching the rank of Tech 5.

Miller landed in Normandy after the Allied invasion. Following Operation Cobra seven weeks after the initial landing, Miller was deployed on the eastern front. For two months, he fought on the German border.

On Dec. 16, the last major German counteroffensive was launched in the Ardennes-Alsace region. For more than a

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Compassionate City responds to resident's need

When Donald Cunningham returns to his University Street home in Westland, he is in for a surprise.

Cunningham, 65, who remains in a rehabilitation facility following a fall from the steps on his porch in October, will have secure access to his home thanks to the efforts of local officials, residents and members of the Westland Public Safety Department.

Vic Barra looks over the electronic lift installed at a disabled resident's home last week.

Cunningham's wife, Donna, contacted the office of Westland Mayor William R. Wild in October, searching for any resources available to assist with the installation of a handicap ramp at the home she shares with her disabled husband.

"I've been a resident of Westland for 57 years and my husband, Donald, lived in Garden City prior to purchasing our home 38 years ago on University Street in 1980," she wrote to Wild. "Due to Donald's health issues, we encountered difficulties getting from the house to the vehicles, after a few falls and broken bones I knew something was needed to make it safely. In search of help, I contacted Humana, Donald's health provider and inquired about a wheelchair ramp, I was referred to the Senior Alliances Services in Wayne who referred me to the Mayor's Office," she explained in her letter.

> *We launched the Compassionate City Initiative in 2013 and this is a perfect example of its purpose.*

Her husband suffered a stroke three years ago, she explained and in October, he suffered a fall from the steep stairs on their porch while attempting to get to his driveway. As a result of the accident, he broke his hip and has been in a rehabilitation center ever since.

"We launched the Compassionate City Initiative in 2013 and this is a perfect example of its purpose," commented Wild. "We share a desire to be part of something larger than us and to do it together. It's about connecting with others, joining together to lend a helping hand, to create a kinder, better place to live."

Wild tapped one of the best-known compassionate volunteers in the city, Vic Barra, president of the Wayne Ford Civic League, to see if there was anything that could be done to help.

"The mayor, Mr. Bill Wild, sent me an angel, Mr. Vic Barra to assess my home for a wheelchair ramp. It was determined a ramp would not work due to my front porch being 4-feet high and a wheelchair lift was needed. Vic is so kind, caring and understanding. Vic took charge of the project to install a wheelchair lift and he continues to amaze

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BELLEVILLE - CANTON

Canton trustees prohibit marijuana businesses

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Marijuana businesses won't sprout up soon in Canton Township, as members of the board of trustees tentatively nixed such action at the Nov. 13 meeting.

"Communities are not required to allow marijuana businesses," noted Canton Township Supervisor Pat Williams. Trustee Steven Sneideman and one resident asked about tax revenue impact.

"It would just be good to know at some point," Sneideman said. Williams, who cited Nov. 6 approval by Michigan voters of a recreational marijuana vote, said counties, cities and townships differ in tax impact.

A Tuesday, Nov. 27, second reading with likely passage of the Canton ordinance prohibiting marijuana businesses in the township is scheduled.

Williams also noted incremental costs including law enforcement, with Canton Public Safety Director Joshua Meier explaining that the existing marijuana law in Canton allows 2.5 ounces of it and up to 10 marijuana plants on one's property.

Said Canton Trustee Sommer Foster, "Since they are still illegal federally, they operate as a cash business."

Canton Clerk Michael Siegrist said, "I voted in favor of Proposal 1," the ballot issue. He appreciates decriminalization, but added the township has commercial liability.

Added Williams, "It doesn't mean we can't revisit it in a year, two years, three years."

In other action, the Canton Board of Trustees approved a 2 percent raise for full-time, nonunion employees of the township, while exempting elected trustees. Board members, with Treasurer Dian Slavens absent, also reacted to an appeal from Fawne Scrivens who owns Kneaded Balance LLC, a massage business in a small suite on Canton Center Road in the township.

Scrivens emphasized her being licensed and credentialed, adding she only takes referrals on clients from chiropractors, physical therapists and the like. "I am no moral threat to children or the church community," said Scrivens, who drew sympathy from township leaders over ordinance confusion.

"You're probably the most credible person who has come in and spoken. We have had some bad actors," noted Williams. "You very credibly presented your case."

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Canton Board of Trustees members discussed the issues involved with a nearby day care and the massage business. After discussion, trustees OK'd Scrivens' business while noting the 2019 ordinance for such businesses may or may not change.

"You're home free for this year and we'll see you in January," said Trustee John Anthony, who also praised Siegrist on handling the Nov. 6 midterm election.

"It went through smoothly. Mike and his staff did a hell of a job," Anthony said. Siegrist thanked the 300-some volunteers coordinated in Canton and his own colleagues.

Joe Arcel was also thanked at the Nov. 13 meeting for donating 100 chairs for classroom use at the Village Theater at Cherry Hill through Canton Leisure Services. Arcel is involved with a Spotlight Players production there.

Of volunteer Arcel, Williams added, "He said, 'Hey, we need this. Don't worry about money.'" The value of the chairs exceeded $3,000, all donated by Arcel.

Hero

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month, Miller fought in the forests of northeastern France, Belgium and Luxembourg until the Axis was repelled over the Rhine. He left Europe on Oct. 25, 1945, and was honorably discharged in November at Camp Atterbury in Indiana.

Canton Township Trustee John Anthony visited the Normandy region with his wife. Anthony noted both the 243rd anniversary of the United States Marine Corps, in which he served, as well as Miller's bravery, loyalty and dedication.

Lacroix switched quickly from his native tongue ("Merci, monsieur.") to English: "Mr George Miller served his country. In serving his country, he served my country. In serving my country, he saved it," Lacroix said of France.

The Consul General told of his own family's military service, adding U.S. troops "came to our rescue in 1917. We are blood brothers from the very beginning."

The Consul General pinned the medal with its red ribbon to Miller's left lapel of the Army uniform, after Don Miller put an Army hat on his father. The Color Guard included both the American and French flags.

Williams, with Anthony and Canton Clerk Michael Siegrist, gave Miller a wooden cane with an eagle's head. Williams noted the description of a veteran as someone who has "signed a blank check payable to the American government up to and including their life."

For his bravery during combat, the Miller has received distinctions including European African Middle Eastern Ribbon with six Bronze Stars, the Good Conduct Medal and the WORLD WAR II Victory medal.

Lake algae blooms cleared

The toxic green algae in Belleville Lake has now dissipated and the water is safe, although consuming fish from the lake remains under a state warning, according to a report from Van Buren Township Director of Public Services Matthew Best.

Best told the members of the Van Buren Township Environmental Commission during their regular meeting last month that the lake is now free and clear of algae problems.

The algae was first reported in early September by a local resident. Rom the Michigan Department of Environmental quality responded to the report and sent biology and chemistry experts to take samples. One microsystem was discovered in Belleville Lake, Best told the commission members. The organism was a blue-green algae that was fatal to pets. Signs were installed at the lake and continued sampling and testing has taken place, Best said, and Belleville Lake was determined to be free and clean of the algae on Oct. 4

He told the members of the commission that the algae blooms are not a new occurrence and that with new procedures in place at the state level there could be more monitoring of the water quality in the lake.

Environmental Commission chairman Dave Brownlee said he witnessed the algae which looked like slime or a paint slick about 20-foot long in the water.

The algae occurs when there is phosphorus, heat and a temperature inversion, Best explained. He said the advisory from the state not to eat fish from Belleville Lake because certain chemicals are still being found in water from nearby Ford Lake.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AGENDA
DECEMBER 13, 2018

Notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals **THURSDAY, December 13, 2018 at 7:00 PM.** The meeting will be held in the Board Room at the Township Administration Building located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188.

7:00 P.M.

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Jim Cisek, Vicki Welty, Craig Engel, Greg Greco and James Malinowski.
Alternate: Gregory Demopoulos

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes:
NOVEMBER 8th, 2018 Meeting Minutes

General Calendar:

1. Applicant Jory Bales, for property located at 44305 Gordon, on the south side of Gordon, between Sheldon and Brookline Roads, Zoning R-5, appealing Article 26.00 Section 26.02 Requirements for agricultural and residential districts, Parcel ID 71-057-01-0441-000 (Building)

Written comments need to be submitted prior to 4:00 PM on the date of the hearing. All written comments must be sent to the Charter Township of Canton, Clerk's Office, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI 48188, Phone 734-394-5120.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS
In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals with disabilities who require special accommodations, auxiliary aids or services to attend participate at the meeting/hearing should contact Kerreen Conley, Human Resources Manager, at 734-394-5260.
Reasonable accommodations can be made with advance notice.
A complete copy of the Access to Public Meetings Policy is available at www.canton-mi.org

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

Effective Communication: The Charter Township of Canton will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the Charter Township of Canton's programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Charter Township of Canton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260.

The Charter Township of Canton will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings – November 13, 2018

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Williams called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. **SPECIAL HEARING: SH-1: Petition to Appeal Massage Establishment License Denial; Chapter 18 Article III Section 18-92; for Kneaded Balance 5820 N. Canton Center Road, Suite #183, Canton, MI 48187. (Clerk)** Motion by Sneideman, supported by Anthony to open the Special Hearing – to Appeal the denial of a Massage Establishment License by Kneaded Balance, LLC. at 6:32 p.m. Motion by Sneideman, supported by Graham-Hudak that the determination of the Board of Trustees, upon hearing all the evidence submitted and reviewing documents denies the appeal and upholds the Clerk's denial of a 2018 massage establishment license for Kneaded Balance 5820 N. Canton Center Road, Suite #183, Canton, MI 48187 Roll Call Vote: Yea: Williams, Sneideman Nay: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Absent: Slavens Motion failed. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony, to grant the appeal to approve the Massage Establishment License for 2018 for Kneaded Balance at 5820 N. Canton Center Road, Suite #183, Canton, MI 48187 and to instruct the Clerk to issue the approval of the 2019 license contingent upon approval of an amendment to the existing Massage Establishment Licensing Ordinance. Roll Call Vote: Yea: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Williams, Nay: Sneideman Absent: Slavens Motion carried. Motion by Anthony, supported by Foster to close the Special Hearing – to Appeal the denial of a Massage Establishment License by Kneaded Balance, LLC. at 7:13 p.m. (5 minute recess) Supervisor Williams called the regular meeting to order at 7:18 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Sneideman, Williams Members Absent: Slavens Staff Present: Director Hohenberger, Director Faas, Director Meier, Director Trumbull **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to approve the agenda with an amendment to add item C-3 Consider Adoption of a Resolution for Approval of Application for additional MERS Service Credit by employee. Motion carried by all members present. **Approval of Minutes** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of October 23, 2018 as presented. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to approve the Board Study Session Minutes of October 30, 2018 as presented. Motion carried by all members present. **Citizen's Non-Agenda Item Comments:** None **Payment of the Bills:** Motion by Sneideman, supported by Anthony to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried by all members present. **Acknowledgment of Quarterly Investment Report** The decision was made to defer this action until the Treasurer is able to attend a meeting. **CONSENT CALENDAR: Item C-1. Establish Board Of Trustees Meeting Dates For 2019. (Clerk)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to establish the Canton Township Board of Trustees meeting schedule for the year 2019 as follows: The second and fourth Tuesday of each month will be Regular Meetings of the Board held at 7:00 p.m. The first, third and fifth Tuesdays of each month will be Study Session Meetings of the Board held at 6:00 p.m. Meetings are normally held in the Board of Trustees meeting room on the First Floor of the Charter Township of Canton Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center South, Canton, Michigan. Meetings may be cancelled to coordinate with election dates as scheduled for 2019. All adjustments to this schedule to be posted individually on the Canton Website as well as posted on the Announcement Boards at the Township Administration Building. Motion carried by all members present. **Item C-2. Reappointments and New Appointment to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Advisory Council. (FBD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to reappoint John Spencer and Celena Khatib to the CDBG Advisory Council for a three year term, effective January 1, 2019 and expiring on December 31, 2021. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to appoint Elaine Thomas to the CDBG Advisory Council for a three-year term, effective January 1, 2019 and expiring on December 31, 2021. Motion carried by all members present. **Item C-3. Consider Adoption of a Resolution for Approval of Application for additional MERS Service Credit by employee. (FBD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to adopt the Resolution allowing the purchase of additional service credit by Michael Steckel. Motion carried by all members present. **GENERAL CALENDAR: Item G-1. Consider Approval of a Property Split for Cross/Bajorek. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to approve the property split for parcel # 035-01-0034-002 in Supervisor's Canton Plat #2 as shown on the attached survey revision date 10-24-18. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-2. Consider Approval of an Amendment of $12,500 to the Purchase Order Contract to Smithgroup for the Lower Rouge Trail Extension Project. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to approve an amendment to the existing Purchase Order Contract to Smithgroup for Lower Rouge River Trail Design services for an amount not-to-exceed $12,500. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-3. Consider First Reading of an ordinance to amend Chapter 46, Article VII, Division 1, of the Canton Code of Ordinances entitled "Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions" to revise Section and 46-506. (PSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to introduce for first reading an ordinance which amends Chapter 46, Article VII, Sec. 46-506 of the Canton Code of Ordinances. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to table for consideration the proposed text amendment to the Code of Ordinances, and to schedule a second reading for November 27, 2018. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-4. Consider Awarding Bid for Cable Video Server. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to award the bid for the Cable Video Server to ProVideo Systems, 26471 South Point Road. Perrysburg OH, 43551 in the amount of $28,155 with funds to be paid from account # 230-250.970_0010, Capital Outlay Computers and Equipment. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-5. Award Bid for Printing, Sorting and Distribution of the Discover Brochure. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to award the printing, sorting, and distribution of four editions of the 2019/2020 Discover Brochure to Grand Blanc Printing, 9449 Holly Road, Grand Blanc, MI 48439 in the amount of $46,388.00 to be paid from the following accounts over 2019 & 2020: Division Account # Amount Senior 101-672-50-900_0040 $ 6,958.20 Recreation 101-756-50-900_0040 $ 28,296.68 Summit 208-757-50-900_0040 $ 6,494.32 CSC 101-755-50-900_0040 $ 4,638.80 TOTAL $ 46,388.00 Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-6. Consider Approval for the Pump Replacement at Canton Sports Center. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to approve a purchase order for the replacement of the Canton Sports Center storm water pump to Kennedy Industries, 4925 Holtz Drive, Wixom, MI 48393 in the amount of $20,200 to be paid from Account #592-445.930_0050. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-7. Consider Budget Amendment for Village Theater and Donation Recognition. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to approve the following budget amendment: Increase Revenue 101-761-50.675 VT Donations $3,729 Increase Expenditure 101-761-50.985 Furniture & Equipment $3,729 Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to recognize Mr. Joe Arcel as the donor of the new Biltmore Studio chairs at the Village Theater. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-8. Approval of Budget Amendment for Ridge Road Paving. (FBD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Sneideman to approve a budget amendment as follows: Increase (Decrease) Expenditures: 403-506-02.970_0050 – Capital Outlay Road Construction Infrastructure ($3,135,000) 403-506-02.990 – Transfer to Fund Balance $3,012,500 Increase (Decrease) Revenues: 403-000.695 – Fund Balance Appropriation ($122,500) Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-9. Consider Approval Of Wage Increase For Merit (Full-Time, Non-Union) Employees For The 2019 Fiscal Year. (Supv.)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to approve the proposed 2.0% across the board wage scale increase for Merit Employees for the 2019 fiscal year, as recommended by the Merit Commission at their meeting of October 8, 2018. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-10. Consider First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend Chapter 18, by adding a New Article VIII, entitled "Marihuana Establishments". (Legal)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to introduce for first reading an ordinance which amends Chapter 18 of the Canton Code of Ordinances. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to table for consideration the proposed text amendment to the Code of Ordinances, and to schedule a second reading for November 27, 2018. Motion carried by all members present. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** None **OTHER:** Director Hohenberger stated the township tree lighting will take place on December 5, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. Trustee Anthony wished Happy 243rd Birthday to the U.S. Marine Corps and complimented Clerk Siegrist on the smooth election held on Tuesday November 6th. Trustee Graham-Hudak stated there will be "Coffee with a Trustee" this Saturday at Biggby coffee. Supervisor Williams commended Resident George Miller Sr. on receiving the French Government's Highest Honor to a Military Veteran – the French Foreign Legion Medal of Honor. Upon receiving this medal Mr. Miller was elevated to knighthood by France. This was authorized by the President of France. Clerk Siegrist also thanked the inspectors who worked as election inspectors as well as the other members of the township administration. **ADJOURN:** Motion by Anthony, supported by Sneideman to adjourn at 7:57 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. _____ **Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk** _____**Pat Williams, Supervisor**

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, 734-394- 5120, during regular business hours or be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval.

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ROMULUS - INKSTER

School district project wins state honor

Romulus Community Schools was among building projects recognized for leadership in reducing building energy waste through performance contracts last week.

Anne Armstrong Cusack, executive director of the Michigan Agency for Energy, assisted in the presentation of the awards at the 2018 Leadership in Energy Efficiency event in Lansing by the Energy Services Coalition - Michigan chapter. "The winners announced today invested more than $39 million in building system upgrades and are saving $3.5 million per year in energy costs over the lifespan of the improvements," Armstrong Cusack said. "They are shining examples of what can be accomplished through performance contracts when facing tight budgets."

"I am very excited about the opportunity for the ESC organization to recognize our award winners at the 8th annual awards luncheon," said George Taylor, president of the Michigan chapter of the organization. "Their commitment to positively impacting the environment by shrinking their carbon footprint, while simultaneously reducing their energy and operational costs is a winning combination for all participants in the process. We are confident that as budgets continue to be challenged, and renewable technologies become more economically viable, the performance contracting model will become the gold standard in addressing these challenges."

Romulus Community Schools was recognized for the $6 million project which included improvements at seven buildings, such as LED lighting retrofits, a district-wide web-based energy management system, energy efficient motors, variable speed drives, water conservation retrofits and installation of a pool cover. Annual energy savings are expected to be $334,810, according to the construction specifications.

The Michigan Energy Office, part of the Michigan Agency for Energy, was a sponsor of the awards event. It is a partner organization of the ESC and the Michigan state chapter.

The ESC is a national nonprofit organization composed of a network of experts from a range of organizations working together at the state and local level to increase energy efficiency and building upgrades through energy savings performance contracting.

Also recognized were projects in Delhi Charter Township, Ypsilanti, Livonia, and St. Clair Shores.

Administrators from the Romulus Community Schools are all smiles when receiving an award from the Michigan Agency for Energy at the 2018 Leadership in Energy Efficiency conference in Lansing earlier this month.

Group hopes to save former home of Malcolm X

There are huge goals for a small house on Williams Street in Inkster where a non-profit organization hopes to install a museum and youth outreach center.

Aaron Sims, co-founder of Project We Hope, Dream and Believe, has been attempting to save the home for more than six years. Members of the Inkster City Council agreed last year to donate the house to the non-profit to be used as a historical museum and office space. The ultimate goal of the group is to use the historical site as a sort of community center for outreach services to area youths.

The home, located at 4336 Williams St. was once owned by the brother of Malcolm X and the revolutionary minister lived or visited there from 1953 until his death in Manhattan in 1965.

"He was still Malcolm Little when he moved to the city of Inkster," explained Sims, co-founder of the youth mentoring organization. "He worked at the Ford Motor Co. Wayne Stamping Plant and at Cut Right Carpentry. That house is where he wrote his first speech," Sims said.

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> Wayne Stamping Plant and at Cut Right Carpentry.
> That house is where he wrote his first speech."

Progress at the home suffered a setback when a squatter's fire got out of control and damaged the interior to the point that walls had to be taken down to the studs for rebuilding, Sims said.

Sims has a dedication to historic sites and served as president of the Western Wayne County NAACP for 14 years. He discovered the Williams Street home and it's connection to Malcolm X when his landscaping company was hired by the city to cut grass in Inkster.

During the project, conversations with local youths led Sims to believe that the house could be used as a center to help youth. Organizers have contacted the Michigan Historical Buildings Registry to find out how to get the location registered, but the cost for the application and marker is nearly $6,000.

Malcolm X became a convert to Islam following a criminal career and time in prison. When he completed his sentences for various crimes he quickly rose in the Nation of Islam and was successful in opening new temples and increasing membership. His growing prominence resulted in friction and he broke from the Nation, denounced the black separatist teachings and affiliated himself with Sunni Islam. His criticism of the Nation, it is believed, led to his assassination by three men identified as Nation of Islam members in 1965.

Sims said he and his group will continue their efforts at the home for as long as it may take. He said he wants to buy the home and "try to live out the dreams that Malcolm had, help rehabilitate the community, turn it into an education center, help kids learn a trade, use it as a food resource pantry, a building to supplement development within the surrounding community."

Currently, engraved bricks are on sale that will be used in the driveway, on the sidewalk and the walkway to the front door or the home. Bricks can be purchased at the Project We Hope, Dream and Believe Facebook page for $125 or $250, depending on size.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, December 27, 2018 for the following:

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Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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CITY OF ROMULUS, ORDINANCE # 2018-007
SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS TO PURCHASING ORDINANCE: CHAPTER 39

On November 5, 2018, the City Council of the City of Romulus, approved amendments to the City Purchasing Ordinance, which in summary provides as follows:

- The correction of minor grammatical and formatting errors in the ordinance;
- The redefinition of existing terms and addition of new terms;
- Small Purchases using Blanket POs & Credit Cards shall increase from $500 to $1,500;
- Quotes (previously defined as documented verbal inquiries) previously required for purchases greater than or equal to $1,500 but less than $3,000 will change to be greater than or equal to $3,000 but less than $6,000;
- Formal Quotes aka RFQ previously required for purchases greater than or equal to $3,000 but less than $6,000 will change to be the requirement of purchases greater than or equal to $6,000 but less than $12,000;
- Sealed bids for purchases of goods and services (ITB & RFP) shall change from being required when the purchase is greater than or equal to $6,000 to the new threshold of greater than or equal to $12,000;
- Shall allow for the purchase of or for the replacement of failed or failing equipment that is readily available in the market place and installed without modification and/or services for the repair or replacement of such equipment where the amount is equal to or exceeds $3,000.00 but is less than $20,000.00 ($100,000 for lessees who are responsible for maintenance of the leased premises);
- Shall waive the requirement of competitive sealed bids and allow for the city to piggyback on an existing extendable contract, for the acquisition of materials, services or goods in combination with services purchased from a State or Local Governmental Agency's bid;
- Contracts for any public work or improvement or for any purchase of a material or other good or service, the cost of which shall exceed $12,000.00, shall not be entered into unless the same has been approved by a majority of the city council elect or by the respective component unit.

The entire ordinance may be viewed at the City of Romulus Clerk's Office, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174, 734-942-7540.

ADOPTED, APPROVED AND PASSED by the City Council of the City of Romulus this 5th day of November, 2018.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true summary of the Ordinance passed by the Romulus City Council at a regular Council Meeting held on the 5th day of November, 2018.

I further certify that the foregoing was published in The Eagle (Associated Newspapers), a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Romulus, on the 21st day of November, 2018.

ELLEN L. CRAIG-BRAGG, CMC, City Clerk

Within forth-five days after publication of any ordinance duly passed by the Council, a petition may be presented to the Council protesting against such ordinance continuing in effect. Said petition shall contain the text of such ordinance and shall be signed by not less than six percent (6%) of the registered electors registered at the last preceding election at which a Mayor of the City was elected. Said ordinance shall thereupon and thereby be suspended from operation and the Council shall immediately reconsider such ordinance.

Introduction: 10-22-2018
Second Reading: 11-05-2018
Publication: 11-21-2018

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MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 5, 2018
Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem John Barden.
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call: Kathy Abdo, John Barden, Celeste Roscoe, Tina Talley, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb, Virginia Williams.
Administrative Officials in Attendance:
LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk
Stacy Paige, Treasurer

1. Moved by **Talley,** seconded by **Abdo** to accept the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

18-382 2A. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Abdo** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on October 22, 2018. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

18-383 2B. Moved by **Abdo,** seconded by **Talley** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on October 22, 2018. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb. **Nays** – None. **Abstain** – Williams. Motion Carried.

3. Petitioner

4. Chairperson's Report
Mayor Pro Tem John Barden informed that a resident called him to express how helpful the DPW Department was in solving a problem he had in his yard with the overflow of water.

18-384 4A. Moved by **Talley,** seconded by **Webb** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Frankie Shreve. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

18-385 4B. Moved by **Talley,** seconded by **Webb** to adopt a resolution to recognize the 50th wedding anniversary of the late Reverend Terry Edwards and his wife Minnie Edwards. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

4. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Talley** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

5. Mayor's Report
Mayor Burcroff presented a video of upcoming City events.

18-386 5A (1). Moved by **Abdo,** seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and award ITB 18/19-03 to the only bidder, R & R Fire Truck Repair, Inc., for the acquisition of one motorized pumper fire apparatus for the City of Romulus Fire Department, in the amount of $543,574.00. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

18-387 5A (2). Moved by **Abdo,** seconded by **Webb** to concur with the administration and authorize the mayor and clerk to enter into a ten-year maintenance agreement with R & R Trucking for a fixed annual amount of $1,890.00. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

18-388 5B. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Webb** to concur with the administration and approve Form #5597 Corrective Action Plan: Public Act 202 of 2017: Retiree Health Benefit Systems. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

6A. Clerk's Report
City Clerk, Ellen Craig-Bragg announced that the polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. and voters do not have to vote the whole ballot and there is no straight party voting.

18-389 6A1. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Talley** to approve second reading/final adoption of Chapter 39 of the City of Romulus Purchasing Ordinance. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** – Abdo, Barden, Roscoe, Talley, Wadsworth, Webb. **Nays** – Williams. **Motion Carried**.

18-390 6A2. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Webb** to approve second reading/final adoption of Budget Amendment 18/19-15, Motor Vehicle Fund. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

18-391 6A3. Moved by **Webb,** seconded by **Talley** to schedule a study session for Tuesday, November, 13, 2018 at 7:15 p.m. to discuss the City Quarterly Investment Report with City Treasurer, Stacy Paige. The meeting will be held in the City Hall Council Chambers. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

6B. Treasurer's Report
City Treasurer, Stacy Paige, spoke about the various ways a person can pay their tax bills; this is also outlined in the recent City of Romulus Newsletter. She also announced that residents should have their tax bills by Dec. 1st and the payment is due by Feb. 14, 2019.

7. Public Comment
A citizen from Community Cares spoke about a woman who was evicted from her home.
A resident spoke about being evicted from her home and her car towed from her residence.
A resident spoke about her identity being stolen and also, about a water main break.
A resident spoke about a donation she made to the Animal Shelter in memory of her dog.
A citizen from the National Action Network spoke about a resident's eviction from her home.
A resident informed that Romulus brought back a trophy from a cheerleading competition.
A resident spoke about the proposals on the ballot.
A resident offered to pay for a towing bill for the person who was evicted from their home.
A resident informed that Helping Hands is in need of turkeys for this Thanksgiving.
A resident said he saw people stealing an evicted person's belongings.
A citizen from Romulus Community Cares spoke about a resident's eviction.

18-392 7A. Moved by **Williams,** seconded by **Wadsworth** to adopt a resolution of appreciation for Debora and Melvin Coney for their generous donation to the Romulus Animal Shelter in memory of their beloved dog, Meme. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

8. Unfinished Business
Police Captain, Josh Monte, explained the eviction process.

9. New Business

10. Communication
Councilwoman Williams asked that Council get information forwarded to them. Mayor Burcroff stated that all legislative information is forwarded to Council. Councilwoman Abdo complimented Heather Mahon and Andy McKay of the RAC on the fine job they did with the Trunk or Treat this year. Fire Chief Kevin Krause and Building Director Bob McCraight are holding a clothing drive for Veterans. Councilwoman Roscoe congratulated Boy Scouts Troup 872 on winning first place in the scarecrow contest. Councilwoman Talley thanked Mrs. Coney for her generous donation to the Romulus Animal Shelter and she gave a reminder of the pancake breakfast fundraiser for Pastor Kren that will be held Saturday, Nov. 10, 2018 at the Methodist Church from 8 am until 11 am.

11. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe** to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on November 5, 2018.

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Wayne - Westland

Great Lakes concrete donated the concrete slab needed to install the electric wheelchair lift while the police and fire unions in the city matched a donation from the Wayne Civic League to fund the installation.

Lift

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me on a daily basis," Donna Cunningham wrote in a thank you letter to Wild, last week.

"As president of the Wayne Ford Civic League, I'm proud to be called upon by the mayor to facilitate yet another great community outreach project in my hometown of Westland," commented Barra.

"I know that when Mayor Wild calls that there is something that needs fixing outside of the responsibilities of local government and taxpayer resources, but as a community we can and do overcome these hurdles. Networking with others to help those in need is something I enjoy and I pride myself on getting things done."

Barra contacted Fire Chief Michael Stradtner and Police Chief Jeff Jedrusik to enlist their help.

"The Westland Firefighters Public Awareness committee has had a long tradition of building handicapped accessible ramps for those in need within the community," commented Stradtner. "This wheelchair lift serves as one more example of how collaboration with other community groups can provide the assistance necessary to those that need our help."

"When Vic calls, we know there is a real need somewhere in the community and we are always happy to assist him in any way that we can," commented Jedrusik. "We thank our unions who provided these funds, the Westland Police Community Partnership, the Lieutenants and Sergeants Association and the Westland Police Officers Association."

The departments each pitched in $1,500 to pay for the lift which was matched by Barra from the Wayne Ford Civic League, totaling the $4,500 required to purchase the equipment.

Then Barra contacted Westland Department of Public Service Director Ramzi El-Gharib for further assistance.

"I reached out to Leo Sakalian, the owner of Great Lakes Concrete, and explained the situation," commented El-Gharib. "He offered to donate the concrete needed to lay the foundation, totaling $700."

On Nov. 3, Barra visited the Cunningham's home again, this time, with a plan of action. He removed the existing staircase, dug out the ground for the concrete slab and ran electrical power from the basement. Barra returned on Thursday, Nov. 8 to oversee the pouring of the concrete foundation.

"We wanted to express our gratitude to the City of Westland, the mayor, Mr. Bill Wild, Mr. Vic Barra, and the Firefighters and Police Foundations for their extraordinary assistance in providing us with a wheelchair lift," commented Cunningham. "They have exceeded our expectations and words cannot express how grateful we are. This is truly an outstanding experience that will help so much in providing Donald with the mobility needed to get around safely and I can't thank them enough for their generosity."

On Saturday, Nov. 10, Barra coordinated a group effort that included a member from the police and fire department to build the lift at the Wayne Ford Civic League. Once completed and tested, the team will travel to the Cunningham home to install the lift to ensure it is fully operational by the time Cunningham returns home from the rehabilitation center.

Wayne officials take oaths

Former Wayne City Councilman John Rhaesa has been officially sworn into office as the new mayor of the city.

Mayor Susan Rowe opted not to seek re-election to office.

Rhaesa, the only candidate on the ballot during the Nov. 6 election, not surprisingly won 90-percent of the vote. His election did not come without a few write-in votes, however, cast primarily for recalled City Councilman Christopher Sanders. Rhaesa, through his attorney Scott Ruark, was successful in having Sanders removed from the official mayoral ballot by the Wayne County court, based on Sanders'unpaid campaign fees from previous elections. Rhaesa was active in the special recall election against Sanders based on his vote to change election years in the city to match state dates, saving the cash-strapped community about $40,000 annually. The four other officials who voted in favor of the change were not recalled for the same action.

Sanders was unsuccessful in his initial court appeal of the decision and indicated that he would continue to exercise his legal options in the matter following the election.

Also sworn into city office just prior to the regular meeting of the city council this week were former Mayor Pro tem Anthony Miller who won re-election to a council term. He will now represent Ward 4 in the city. Successful candidate Kelly Skiff will represent Ward 5 on the city council and Phillip Wagner will represent Ward 6.

Miller received 1,632 votes to defeat first-time candidate and community activist Brian Ewanciw who was favored by 1,158 votes. Skiff received 1,972 votes to defeat candidate Eric Cleerman who received 737 votes and Wagner received 1,577 votes to defeat Christopher Gietzen who received a total of 1,156 votes.

Annual State of the City address set

Mayor William R. Wild will deliver his 12th Annual State of the City Address beginning at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 27 at 6 p.m. at Westland City Hall, located at 36300 Warren Road.

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. This year, the State of the City will be a town hall style event and Wild and members of his administration will share information on the progress the city has made this past year as well as an outlook for 2019.

Mayor William R. Wild

Toy collection now under way

The Westland Community Foundation is collecting toys for the Salvation Army effort to help local families during the holiday season.

Boxes have been placed at several locations to accept donations. The boxes will be picked up and taken to the Salvation Army on Dec. 7. Donation boxes are now located at: City of Westland City Hall, 36300 Warren Road, Westland; Dix Animal Hospital, 1127 Dix Highway, Lincoln Park; Fantastic Sam's, 141 Wayne Road, Westland; Westland Lock and Key, 35665 Ford Road, Westland, and the office of the Westland Community Foundation, 38110 Executive Dr., Westland.

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Notice of Public Hearing

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH, MI
PLANNING COMMISSION

PROPOSED ACTION: Amendment to the Text of the Charter Township of Plymouth Zoning Ordinance No. 99 by **Amending Article XXII:** Single Family Cluster Housing
DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, December 12, 2018
TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48170

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Plymouth proposes to amend the text of the Zoning Ordinance No. 99 by amending Article XXII: Single Family Cluster Housing at a regular meeting of the Planning Commission.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that persons interested may attend the public hearing and/or send correspondence regarding the application to Plymouth Township Hall, attn.: Carol Martin. Pertinent information relative to the application is on file at the Plymouth Township, Community Development Department (second floor counter) and may be viewed during regular business hours from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the public hearing upon one weeks advance notice by writing or calling the Supervisor's Office, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48170; (734) 354-3201.

Publish by: November 21, 2018
Kendra Barberena, Secretary, Planning Commission

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Notice of Public Hearing

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH, MI
PLANNING COMMISSION

PROPOSED ACTION: Amendment to the Text of the Charter Township of Plymouth Zoning Ordinance No. 99 by Amending Article VI: R-1-E, R-1-H, R-1-S, R-1, One Family Residential Districts, section 6.4: Development Requirements
DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, December 12, 2018
TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48170

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Plymouth proposes to amend the text of the Zoning Ordinance No. 99 by amending Article VI: R-1-E, R-1-H, R-1-S, R-1, One Family Residential Districts, section 6.4: Development Requirements, as related to fence standards, at a regular meeting of the Planning Commission.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that persons interested may attend the public hearing and/or send correspondence regarding the application to Plymouth Township Hall, attn.: Carol Martin. Pertinent information relative to the application is on file at the Plymouth Township, Community Development Department (second floor counter) and may be viewed during regular business hours from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate / Trust

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Date of Birth:
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TO ALL CREDITORS: *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Scott R. Judd, died October 26, 2018.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate/trust will be forever barred unless presented to the Trustee of the Scott R. Judd Trust dated September 18, 2017, at 4050 Plains Road Mason, MI 48854 within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

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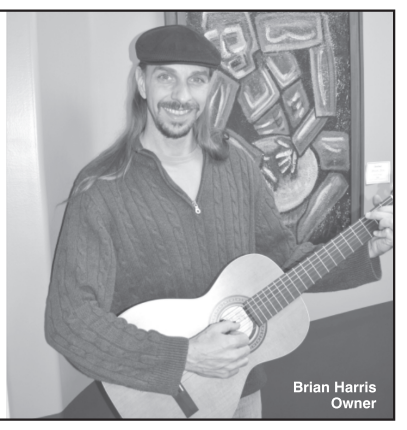

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NORTHVILLE - PLYMOUTH

Grant, loan to fund Bathey site clean-up

The clean up of a former manufacturing site in Plymouth is being helped by funding from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

The state agency recently announced that a $650,000 grant has been awarded to the city to help with remediation at the former site of the Bathey Manufacturing Co. along with a $1 million loan from the state.

The funding from the state will be administered through the Plymouth Brownfield Redevelopment Authority which will have oversight of the clean up at the site.

The site of the plant, which manufactured baskets that held auto parts while they were plated or chemically tested, was closed in the late 80s and has been vacant for decades.

The 15-acre site is located on Mill Street near Amelia, south of Main Street. Pulte Homes has submitted a plan to construct townhomes on the south 10 acres of the land expected to cost from $280,00-$320,000.

The plan has been approved by members of the Plymouth Planning Commission although a final remediation plan is still being finalized. The project will have to obtain approval of the site plan and a rezoning from members of the Plymouth City Commission.

The project, to be called Mill Street Towns, will also include a pedestrian crosswalk on Mill Street to connect the homes to neighborhoods access to locations across the street. There will also be a walkway from the development which will eventually connect to Main Street and green space, walking paths and benches and public amenities along Mill Street.

Pulte will be responsible for the cleaning of the entire site with remediation of the 10-acres where the construction of the townhomes is proposed including the removal of contaminated soil to be replaced by clean soil.

City files lawsuit against Northville school district

The City of Northville and the Northville Community School District are headed for a courtroom showdown.

Attorneys for the city filed a lawsuit against the school district Nov. 9 seeking to halt the demolition of Main Street Elementary School, where a plan to sell the property to a developer for the construction of four luxury homes has been approved by members of the board of education. A purchase agreement included the demolition of the 79-year-old school building to make way for the homes.

City officials argued that the property and school building is located in the Northville Historic District boundaries and therefore the demolition requires a permit from the members of the Historic District Commission.

School district officials, however, claimed that the district is exempt from the ordinance requiring that permission citing an opinion from the Michigan Attorney General in 1997.

"The city is not voicing an opinion on whether the building should stay or go, but we are requesting that the (school) district follow the same rules that our residents follow, which require them to seek HDC approval," Northville Mayor Ken Roth said in a prepared statement.

"The city's position is that demolishing a building in a historic district for the purpose of selling the land to a private developer to build four single-family homes is not exempt from the State Historic Preservation Act and the city's Historic Preservation Ordinance," Roth added.

> *The city is not voicing an opinion on whether the building should stay or go...*

Mary Kay Gallagher, superintendent of the Northville schools said the lawsuit is regrettable.

"Certainly, we had hoped that we could agree to disagree on this matter of jurisdiction and come to a decision that would be a win/win for the school district and the city," Gallagher said. "The decision the school board made regarding the Main Street School property came after many months of collecting input from the community and everyone who would be affected."

Mitchell

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was paid $16,476.79 while absent from his job. He was subsequently terminated by newly-elected Supervisor Kurt Heise.

Tiderington told the trustees that during the ongoing investigation, Mitchell was "employed out of town." Informed sources say he was living Rockford, Illinois and visiting Mexico where his wife was reportedly working for an automotive manufacturing company.

All the missing property "we know of" was recovered, according to Tiderington, and many of the items, clearly labeled "Plymouth Township" with a black marker, were found in Mitchell's garage by authorities during the warrant search. Floor tiles from the township park pavilion, a commercial lawn mower, a lawn blower and a 4-wheel drive John Deere Gator "worth about $12,000," were among the stolen items.

Tiderington also reported that Mitchell had prepared fraudulent purchase orders, one that had the appearance of a repair, but in reality was for a lawn mower that was delivered to Mitchell's home.

Directly related to the case are circumstances regarding township seasonal employee Matthew Kidd, who was supervised by Mitchell. Kidd was paid a gross total of $19,623.80 for 661.5 hours of work in the months of October, November and December 2016, racking up more than 181 hours of overtime in the off-season fall and winter period. Records show Kidd was paid $22.44 an hour and time and one half for overtime, receiving an average of $1,635.31 weekly for his part-time parks job. Kidd served at the pleasure of Price, reporting to Mitchell. No charges have been filed against Kidd.

Heise said he would be representing the township and the board members with the submission of a Victim Impact Statement, as requested by the court.

Mitchell was charged under "information" which typically means the defendant is cooperating with the federal authorities and has negotiated a plea deal. Mitchell pleaded guilty on Aug. 29, to "Count One of Information" under Federal Program Theft laws and will not face a trial. In a quid-pro-quo type of case like Mitchell's', the defendant usually gives up valued information to the prosecution in exchange for a lighter sentence.

According to Tiderington, the penalty in Mitchell's case under the subject federal corruption laws is going to be much lighter, "likely 36 to 48 months" prison time verses 10 years and a $250,000 fine. Tiderington said Mitchell could be sentences anywhere from "probation to prison time."

Mitchell's sentencing hearing is set for Jan. 17, 2019 before Judge Terrence G. Berg in the U.S. Federal Court in Detroit.

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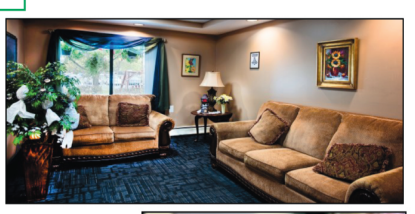

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Calendar of events

Santa mailbox at Summit

Canton Leisure Services has made special arrangements with the U.S. Post Office to deliver children's wish lists to Santa.

To mail a letter to Santa, drop it in the North Pole Express Mailbox in the Summit on the Park lobby through Nov. 30. Santa asks that children print their name and address clearly so he may reply to letter.

Each household will receive a return letter and Santa will take care of the postage.

Canton residents only please.

For more information, call (734) 394-5460.

Help for seniors available

CUP, the Community Up Project, will provide services for the elderly and disabled residents of Inkster at no cost.

Available services include snow removal, trash removal, lawn care, minor repairs, errands, building and repair of handicap accessories.

For more information, contact Queen Paris Jones, (313) 778-0931.

Library plans book sale

Friends of the Wayne Public Library will participate in Small Business Saturday with a used book sale from noon until 5 p.m. Nov. 24. Shoppers can purchase a bag for $1 and fill it will used books.

All proceeds will benefit the Friends of the Library group activities.

The library is located at 3737 S. Wayne Road in Wayne.

Comedy and music offered

The Ron Kischuk Quartet will perform at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325 on Tuesday, Nov. 27.

Comedic Ron Kischuk will play trombone and do vocals. Joining him will be Jeff Halsey on bass, Gary Schunk on keyboard and Dave Taylor on drums.

The Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325 is located at 41700 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 453-1780 or visit www.plyaa325.com or email jazzattheelks@gmail.com.

Philharmonic presents In a Winter Garden

The Michigan Philharmonic, the Madonna University Chorale, Counsellors Chorale, and Main Street Opera Theatre Chorus will perform Libby Larsen's In a Winter Garden. This concert brings together orchestra, chorus and soloists sharing a musical reflection on Advent and all its various moods and themes. Adding to this reflective concert are Pie Jesu by Lili Boulanger, A Vaughan Williams Christmas and Fantasia on Greensleeves by Ralph Vaughan Williams and Christmas Concerto by Arcangelo Corelli.

The performance will take place at 8 p.m. Friday Nov. 30 at Our Lady of Good Counsel, 47650 North Territorial Road in Plymouth.

There is a pre-concert talk set for 7:15 p.m.

Tickets are available on-line at http://www.michiganphil.org or by calling (734) 451-2112.

Breakfast with Santa returns

Summit on the Park will host Breakfast with Santa, from 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 1.

During the breakfast, children can share their wish list with Santa, create a winter craft, and enjoy a Christmas story time. All children will receive a holiday souvenir, crayons, and placemat. Parents are encouraged to bring cameras.

Tickets are on sale now through Nov. 29. Ticket prices for ages 3 and younger are $4.75 for Canton residents and $5.75 for non-residents; 4-12-year-olds tickets are priced at $15.75 for residents and $18.75 for non-residents; ages 13 and older are priced at $19.75 for residents and $23.75 for non-residents. Seating is reserved by table location only on a first-come, first-serve basis

Online registration is not available. Tickets must be purchased in advance at the Summit of the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway, during normal business hours.

For additional information, call (734) 394-5460.

Christmas Tree Lighting set

The Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Winterfest parade will begin at 6 p.m. Dec. 1 at Belleville High School and travel to the downtown museum.

Following the parade, the annual city Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will take place on the front lawn of the Belleville Area Museum, 405 Main St., Belleville.

For more information, call (734) 697-1944.

Canton to light holiday tree

The Canton Township official holiday tree lighting will take place from 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 5.

The 'official' tree, will be lit by the Summit on the Park at 6:30 p.m. and special festivities will take place both indoors and outdoors. There will be seasonal entertainment, kids' crafts, activities, refreshments, and visits with Santa!

In the spirit of the season, Canton Leisure Services is offering the event free of charge to residents. For additional information, call (734) 394-5460.

Christmas in Plymouth celebrated

The Plymouth Downtown Development Authority will present Christmas in Plymouth from 5-9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6 throughout the downtown area.

There will be holiday shopping sales, horse and carriage tours, live music and dance, live reindeer and elves, ice carving, bonfire stations, a mistletoe market and a community sing at 8:30 p.m.

Carriage tour tickets are presale only and will be available Nov. 30 at Sun and Snow, (734)927-0007, ext. 3.

Westland welcomes holiday season

The annual Tree Lighting Ceremony in Westland will begin with the lighting of the holiday tree at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 5 at city hall.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will officially light the Westland tree and enjoy some cocoa and cookies as they meet with all the children and families in attendance.

There will be events and activities for the whole family at the celebration. Westland City Hall is located at 36300 Warren Road.

Nifty Fifties exhibit at museum

Christmas has come to the Plymouth Historical Museum with the popular "Nifty Fifties" exhibit. The exhibit highlights that age of hula-hoops, rock-n-roll and drive-in movies and has now added a "Rock around the Christmas Tree" flavor for visitors to enjoy and appreciate.

There are decorated Christmas trees, wreaths, Christmas lights and other holiday touches interspersed with the artifacts of long ago.

The exhibit will be open until Dec. 30. Museum hours are 1-4 p.m. Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The museum is located at 155 South Main St., Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 455-8940 x0.

Lightfest is now open

The 25th annual Wayne County Lightfest exhibit on Hines Drive will be open through Dec. 31.

The 5-mile long exhibit is the longest drive-through holiday light display in the Midwest. For a small donation, motorists can enjoy the spectacular light displays. that are sure to inspire the holiday spirit. For specific hours and details, call (734) 261-1990.

Award nominees sought

The Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce is now accepting nominations for the Business of the Year Award to be presented at the annual banquet Jan. 12.

Nominees for this award will exemplify the best in what people expect from a small town business, as well as placing an emphasis on customer service, quality product and beautification of their building and/or goods.

The award committee members will consider the nominee's involvement in the community, the chamber, the schools, area non-profits, continued capital investment in the business and an overall community presence.

Businesses can be nominated with a short paragraph including the business and owner's name and the reason for the nomination and submitted to the Belleville Are Chamber of Commerce, 248 Main St, Belleville, MI 48111.

For more information, call (734) 697-7151.

Dixieland Band to perform

The West Side Ramblers will provide free entertainment playing Dixieland/Bluegrass Music on the first Thursday of the month from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Dec. 6 at Burger Night at the Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325.

There will be a limited menu available from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

The group comprises five veteran musicians - Morgan Humecky on vocals, lead guitar and banjo; Sherry Humecky on the hammered dulcimer; Brian Newsom on chord melody/rhythm banjo; Kim Dominick on electric bass and Bob Ervin, rhythm guitar and vocals.

The Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325 is located at 41700 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth. For more information, call (734) 453-1780 or visit www.plyaa325.com or email

Potters guild plans sale

Members of the Cherry Hill Potters Guild are planning a pottery sale for 2 until 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8 and from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9.

The sale will feature original handmade pottery from 20 artists all crafted in Plymouth. The sale will take place at the Canton Human Services Building at 50430 School House Road in Cherry Hill Village, Canton. Items include a large variety of pieces like mugs, bowls, decorative items and sculpture. For more information visit www.cherryhillpotters.org

The Cherry Hill Potters Guild is a diverse community of clay artists who will operate in the Village Arts Factory, a regional arts center being developed in Cherry Hill Village which will offer art education programs and studio space for artists.

Canton Concert Band performs

The Canton Concert Band will present "Making Spirits Bright!"- a special holiday concert for the entire family at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill in Canton at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec.8.

"Making Spirits Bright!" includes Christmas music by the concert band and singing by the Fireside Singers. The music will include holiday favorites such as: "Selections from The Polar Express", "Somewhere in My Memory", "Sleigh Ride", and many others.

A special visitor will attend the concert; Santa will be in the lobby at 6 p.m. until show time, at intermission, and after the performance. Tickets can be purchased, and printed at home or held in will call, anytime at www.cantonvillagetheater.org at no extra charge. The box office is open from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. weekdays. Tickets can also be ordered over the phone by calling (734) 394-5300 x3, with a Visa or MasterCard between the hours of 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. weekdays. If tickets are available, they can also be purchased one hour prior to program time.

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton.

For additional information call (734) 394-5300.

Maybury Farm hosts Santa

Maybury Farm will be offering free visits with Santa and a Holiday Open House in December.

Santa will be on hand at the farm from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 8 and 9 and again at the same times on Dec. 15 and 16.

The free admission includes visits to the farm grounds and barns to see the animals, all with their winter coats getting ready for the cold months ahead.

The General Store at the farm will be open and stocked with gifts and treats including warm cocoa and cider. There will also be a bonfire, activities for children and a family photo booth.

will receive a confirmation email upon registering and a reminder email two days before your visit.

Due to the popularity of this event, reservations for families wanting to visit with Santa are requested. Reservations are available by calling (248) 704-9211. There is no admission charge for this event but donations are appreciated to help with educational work at Maybury Farm.

More information is available at (248) 704-9211.

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